

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Fred Christian Baij

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Sir:

Applicant submits this letter as an attachment to the Notice of Appeal submitted herewith. Applicant previously submitted a Notice of Appeal with payment on June 19, 2002. Applicant subsequently timely filed an Appeal Brief with payment on August 19, 2002. In response to the Examiner's Answer, which is dated November 5, 2002, Applicant submitted a Reply Brief and Request for Oral Hearing with payment on January 3, 2003. The Examiner subsequently withdrew his rejections in an Office Action mailed April 9, 2003. Thus, Applicant never received a review of this case by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, even though all proper fees were submitted.

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Therefore, no fee is believed to be due at this time. Should any fee be properly due, or if any refund is due, please charge same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 23-2130.

Respectfully submitted, Fred Christian Baij

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